

*** We invite you to stand as you are able.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We invite members, friends, visitors to record visit by signing the attendance pad.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE (lighting of candles & church bell)

INTROIT* "Come, Come, Everybody Worship" The Faith We Sing #2271

STATEMENT OF WELCOME TO ALL AND FOR ALL

All: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey you are welcome here.

CALL TO WORSHIP*

One: The Lord calls us today to be people of justice and mercy.

All: Our worship is hollow if it focuses only on our own gratification.

One: The Lord asks that our words of hope become actions of peace.

All: Thanks be to God who challenges and calls us.

One: Let our ministry together bring peace and justice.

All: Let our lives reflect God's love and mercy. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER*

All: Surprising God of mercy and love, thank you for calling to us this day. We praise you that you challenge us to show our faith in ministries of peace and justice, offering compassion to all in need. Open our hearts and minds today to hear your words of encouragement and challenge. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OPENING HYMN "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" (vs 1,4) Black Hymnal #403

SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:32-40 (CEV)

My little group of disciples, don't be afraid! Your Father wants to give you the kingdom. Sell what you have and give the money to the poor. Make yourselves moneybags that never wear out. Make sure your treasure is safe in heaven, where thieves cannot steal it and moths cannot destroy it. Your heart will always be where your treasure is.

Be ready and keep your lamps burning just like those servants who wait up for their master to return from a wedding feast. As soon as he comes and knocks, they open the door for him. Servants are fortunate if their master finds them awake and ready when he comes! I promise you he will get ready and let his servants sit down so he can serve them. Those servants are really fortunate if their master finds them ready, even though he comes late at night or early in the morning. You would surely not let a thief break into your home, if you knew when the thief was coming. So always be ready! You don't know when the Son of Man will come.

MESSAGE

"Don't Sweat the Small Stuff"

Pastor Anne Kadue

HYMN

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Black Hymnal #330

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSIONAL PRAYER

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE & NOISEY OFFERING

DOXOLOGY*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN* "Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" (v 1) Red Hymnal #626

CIRCLE OF BENEDICTION*

(extinguishing of candles & church bell)

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

We welcome all persons of every age, gender identity, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, and physical or mental ability into full participation in the life of this faith community. We are committed to the reconciliation of all persons as children of God and declare ourselves to be a Reconciling Congregation.

Large Print bulletins are available from the ushers.

CHURCH STAFF & WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Anne Kadue	Lead Pastor
Rev. Melanie Homan	Pastor
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You are loved. ❤️

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**Welcome to
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